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SUBJECT: HONDURAS- EL SALVADOR DISPUTE: GOH REQUEST FOR
SESSION OF XII MFM

DEPARTMENT PASS USOAS

REF: TEGUCIGALPA 1090

FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF GOH NOTE TO SECRETARY
(TO BE POUCHED CARE OF ARA/ CEN):

" I HAVE THE HONOR TO ADDRESS MYSELF TO YOUR
EXCELLENCY TO REFER TO THE SITUATION THAT EXISTS BETWEEN
HONDURAS AND EL SALVADOR, ORIGINATED BY THE CONFLICT
THAT BROKE OUT JULY 14, 1969, AND WHICH STILL REMAINS
UNRESOLVED.

" AS THE ILLUSTRIOUS GOVERNMENT OF YOUR EXCELLENCY WAS
INFORMED IN THE NOTE OF JULY 5, 1972 SENT BY THIS MINISTRY,
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THE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF HONDURAS AND EL SALVADOR BEGUN IN OCTOBER 1971 SUFFERED AN IMPASSE WHICH, UNTIL THIS MOMENT, IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO OVERCOME.

" IN THE COURSE OF THESE TALKS, HONDURAS MAINTAINED, AS IT CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN, THAT THE ONLY APPROPRIATE METHOD FOR ENDING, IN A JUST AND DEFINITIVE MANNER, THE DIFFERENCES THAT SEPARATE THE TWO COUNTRIES, IS THE SIGNING AND ENTRY INTO FORCE OF A GENERAL TREATY WHICH WILL SOLVE THESE IN A GLOBAL MANNER, THE CLAUSES OF WHICH SHOULD HAVE AS THEIR BASE THE SEVEN RESOLUTIONS APPROVED BY THE 13 TH MEETING OF CONSULTATION OF THE AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS, OCTOBER 27, 1969.

" MY GOVERNMENT OBSERVES WITH CONCERN THAT THIS ANOMALOUS SITUATION IS TENDING TO PROLONG ITSELF, WHICH NOT ONLY DIRECTLY AFFECTS THE COUNTRIES INVOLVED AND THE CENTRAL AMERICAN AREA, BUT WHICH IMPEDES THE REALIZATION OF ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL PURPOSES OF THE INTERAMERICAN SYSTEM, NAMELY THE GUARANTEE OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE CONTINENT.

" THE 13 TH MEETING OF CONSULTATION, IN ACCORD WITH ITS RESOLUTION NO. III OF JULY 30, 1969, REMAINS OPEN ' ESPECIALLY WITH THE OBJECT OF WATCHING OVER THE COMPLIANCE WITH THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE ORGAN OF CONSULTATION AND OF TAKING SUCH ADDITIONAL MEASURES AS IT MAY DEEM NECESSARY TO REESTABLISH AND PRESERVE INTERAMERICAN PEACE AND SECURITY AND TO RESOLVE THROUGH PEACEFUL MEANS THE CONFLICT BETWEEN EL SALVADOR AND HONDURAS". IN CONSIDERATION OF THIS, MY GOVERNMENT BELIEVES IT OPPORTUNE TO HOLD A SESSION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ORGAN OF CONSULTATION, TO WHICH END IT WILL PROPOSE TO THE HONDURABLE SPECIAL COMMISSION ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION THE 14 TH OF JULY, 1969 THE CONVENIENCE OF CONVOKING SAID SESSION, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE PRESENCE IN WASHINGTON OF THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF THE AMERICAN COUNTRIES FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION.

" IN TAKING THIS INITIATIVE, MY GOVERNMENT IS CONFIDENT THAT, SHOULD THE ORGAN OF CONSULTATION MEET, IT WOULD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BE ABLE TO ADOPT THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO ACCELERATE

THE PROCESS OF PACIFICATION BETWEEN HONDURAS AND EL
SALVADOR.

IN THIS SPIRIT, I HAVE THE HONOR TO REQUEST THE
VALUABLE SUPPORT OF YOUR EXCELLENCY' S ILLUSTRIOUS
GOVERNMENT IN THE SENSE THAT, WHEN THE OCCASION ARISES,
IT VOTE IN FAVOR OF HOLDING THE MEETING OF THE ORGAN
OF CONSULTATION SO THAT (THE LATTER) MAY TAKE THE
ADDITIONAL MEASURES IT DEAMS NECESSARY WITH A VIEW TO
RESOLVING IN A DEFINITIVE MANNER THE CONFLICT BETWEEN
THE TWO COUNTRIES."

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